

Washington State Emergency Operations Officer Monthly Report

June 2019

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| CATEGORY | June 2019 | June 2018 | YTD 2019 | YTD 2018 |
|--|------------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| Logged incidents: | | | | |
| DOE (Department of Energy, Hanford Site) | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| FIRE | 32 | 45 | 183 | 170 |
| HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENTS (HAZMAT) | 195 | 178 | 1183 | 1284 |
| OTHER | 70 | 65 | 416 | 423 |
| 911 SERVICE OUTAGES | 1 | 2 | 5 | 17 |
| SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSIONS (SAR) | 88 | 99 | 439 | 446 |
| TERRORIST | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| INITIAL WEATHER INCIDENTS | 6 | 4 | 27 | 23 |
| CGS (Columbia Generating Station) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total number of Logged incidents | 392 | 394 | 2254 | 2365 |

Categories not included in the total number of logged incidents above

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| <i>Evidence Search Mission</i> | 4 | 2 | 43 | 20 |
| <i>Additional Weather Alerts (all subsequent alerts that are considered to be part of the initiating weather event)</i> | 31 | 24 | 423 | 342 |

LEGEND

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| WEATHER | Weather incidents such as Flooding, High Winds, and Snow |
| FIRE | Wildland Fire incidents |
| OTHER | This category includes a wide variety of incidents, including but not limited to Tsunami events, Earthquakes, and Critical Incident Stress Debriefings. |

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 19-1770
 - On June 1, Pierce County continued a search for a missing 85-year-old in the Ashford County Park area initially opened on May 25th. Ground searchers and search dogs were coordinated from King, Snohomish, Kitsap, Kittitas, and Thurston Counties to assist. The subject was located deceased.
- 19-1885
 - On June 3, Pierce County opened a joint search with Mount Rainier National Park for two missing hikers in the Carbon River area. A helicopter with Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) was coordinated with King County to assist in the search. The hikers were found before the helicopter launched.
- 19-1904
 - On June 4, a State Fire Resources Mobilization request was approved for the Highway 243 Fire in Grant County. The Washington State EOC activated to Level 2, partial activation, in support of the mobilization. The mobilization ended on June 8th and the State EOC returned to Level 3, monitoring.
- 19-1918
 - On June 5, Mount Rainier National Park conducted a search for a group of stranded climbers in the Liberty Ridge area. A search and rescue planning team was coordinated from King County to assist with the search. Mount Rainier rescued the hikers with a helicopter on June 6th. The subjects were transported to Seattle's Harborview Hospital for treatment.
- 19-1950
 - On June 7, the National Weather Service issued a Flash Flood Warning for Benton County.
- 19-1963
 - On June 8, the National Weather Service issued a Severe Thunderstorm Warning for Pend Oreille County.
- 19-1987
 - On June 10, the National Weather Service issued a Heat Advisory for southwest Washington effective through the 12th.
 - On June 11, a Fire Weather Watch was issued for the east slopes of the southern Cascades, and the lower and southern Columbian Basin. The watch was replaced with a Red Flag Warning on June 12th and added the south central and central Cascade Valleys.
- 19-2007
 - On June 14, Kitsap County reopened a search for a 51-year-old male in Poulsbo. Additional search dogs were coordinated from Pierce County to assist in the search. The subject was located deceased on June 19th.

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- 19-2054
 - On June 15, Chelan County attempted to rescue an injured climber on Colchuck Glacier and requested a helicopter with hoist to assist with this mission. A helicopter was coordinated out of Whidbey Island Naval Air Station via the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center. The subject was rescued by helicopter and flown to Seattle's Harborview Hospital.

- 19-2084
 - On June 17, the National Weather Service issued a Red Flag Warning for Chelan, Kittitas, Klickitat, Yakima and Benton Counties
 - On June 17, a Fire Weather Watch was issued for Adams, Columbia, Douglas, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Lincoln, Spokane, Walla Walla and Whitman Counties. The watch was upgraded to a Red Flag Warning on June 18th.

- 19-2105
 - On June 19, Skagit County initiated a search for 44-year-old male on Fidalgo Island. Search dogs were requested and coordinated from Snohomish, Kitsap and Pierce Counties. The subject was located before any assets deployed.

- 19-2181
 - On June 25, the National Weather Service issued a Fire Weather Watch for the east slopes of the southern Cascades and the lower and southern Columbia Basin. The watch was replaced with a Red Flag Warning on June 26th.
 - On June 26, a Severe Thunderstorm Watch was issued for Adams, Columbia, Grant, Walla Walla, Asotin, Franklin, Lincoln, Whitman, Benton, Garfield and Spokane Counties.
 - On June 26, a Severe Thunderstorm Warning was issued for Asotin, Whitman and Garfield Counties.
 - On June 26, a Severe Thunderstorm Warning was issued for northcentral Klickitat County and southcentral Yakima County.

- 19-2209
 - On June 27, the National Weather Service has issued a Flash Flood Warning for northeastern Chelan and southeastern Okanogan Counties.

- 19-2246
 - On June 30, Kittitas County initiated a rescue of an injured male hiker on the Pacific Crest Trail. A helicopter with hoist was requested and coordinated from the King County Sherriff's Office. The subject was successfully extracted by helicopter and transported to a local hospital.

- 19-2250
 - On June 30, King County opened a search for a missing 55-year-old male hiker in the Denny Creek Trail area. Cell phone forensics was requested through the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center. The subject was still missing at the time of this report close out.

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SEOO Activity for the current month:

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| 72 | Warnings issued to jurisdictions for imminent or occurring emergencies. |
| 6 | Warnings issued to tribal nations for imminent or occurring emergencies. |
| 676 | Notifications conducted to state and local agencies for imminent or occurring emergencies. |
| 19 | Resources coordinated for search, rescue, recovery and response operations. |

➤ Participated in 18 exercises of which 13 were vessel spill drills.

Conducted the following tests:

| <i>Test Conducted (see below for descriptions of each test)</i> | <i>Frequency of tests</i> | <i>Number of tests completed this month</i> | <i>Total number of stations tested this month</i> | <i>Number of stations responding during tests initiated by the Alert and Warning Center</i> | <i>Contact Success rate for those tests initiated by the Alert and Warning Center</i> |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| NAWAS - FEDERAL | Twice daily | 60 | | | |
| NAWAS - STATE | Twice daily | 60 | 1890 | 1794 | 95% |
| STAEN | At least twice per month | 2 | 26 | 6 | 23% |
| CEMNET | At least 3 per week | 12 | 280 | 167 | 60% |

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| Dedicated phone line test for DOE | At least 1 per week | 4 | AHAB Siren test | At least 1 per month | 1 |
| Dedicated phone line test for CGS | At least 1 per week | 4 | OPSCAN test | 1 per day | 30 |
| AHAB Daily Function status | 1 per day | 30 | King County 800 MHz Radio System tests | At least 1 per week | 4 |

Test information/definitions:

- **NAWAS:** National Warning System Tests (NAWAS) over the State and Federal circuits. NAWAS connects over 1,800 State and Federal jurisdictions and agencies on the Federal circuit and all counties, some agencies and some tribes on the State circuit. There are four tests a day, two state and two federal, testing 66 drops on two circuits. The number above reflects the four tests a day. Previously the number included the total number of stations contacted during those tests.
- **DOE tests:** Department of Energy Hanford Site has a dedicated phone and fax line into the EOC and they are tested at least weekly. Only the voice phone line numbers are reported here
- **CGS tests:** Columbia Generating Station has a dedicated phone and fax line into the EOC and they are tested at least weekly. Only the voice phone line numbers are reported here.
- **AHAB:** All Hazards Alert Broadcast System is tested daily through the daily function tests, which tests the functional capability of all coastal and Puget Sound siren systems. The voice and tone sirens are tested monthly. The AHAB Siren activates the coastal and Puget Sound voice and tone sirens during tsunami and other hazardous incidents.
- **OPSCAN:** Olympic Peninsula Public Safety Alliance Network (OPSCAN) connects public safety organizations throughout the Olympic Peninsula.
- **STAEN:** The State Agency Emergency Network (STAEN) connects state agency via an 800 MHz radio system.
- **CEMNET:** Comprehensive Emergency Management Network radio connecting all counties and many cities via Zetron Radio Console.
- **King County 800 MHz System** connects the Alert and Warning Center with King County key emergency management and response organizations.